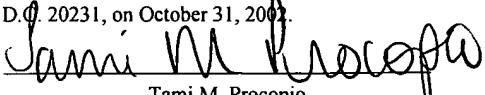


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Daniel E. H. AFAR, *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/697,206

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated 30 September 2002. This extension will extend the time the response is due from 30 October 2002 to 30 November 2002.

- A three month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$.
- A one month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$55.00
- A one month petition was previously filed \*.
- The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated \*.
- A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- Charge \$55.00 to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no.  
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The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 511582002100. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 31, 2002

By:

  
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